



NORTHSIDE CHURCH

A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

Cornerstone: Leaders Give

September 21, 2025



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

There is a place for you at Northside Church to know the love of God,
to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ, and to go into the world to serve others.

† Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol,
and join in singing or reading aloud text in **bold**.

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

THE PRELUDE | O Worship the King | *arr. Bob Burroughs*

Sanctuary Bells

THE WELCOME

Rev. Angela House

THE CHORAL INTROIT | O Worship the King with Praise | *arr. Patricia Mock & Douglas Nolan*

Chancel Choir

O worship the King, all glorious above! Worship the King.
Give Him blessing, and honor, and glory, and power forever.
O worship the King!

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. House

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Pastor: Christ is our Cornerstone, the sure foundation of faith.
People: **We come to build our lives on Christ's steadfast love.**
Pastor: Jesus calls us to follow, leaving behind what holds us back.
People: **We answer with willing hearts, ready to give and to serve.**
Pastor: Leaders give because Christ first gave to us.
People: **We worship the One who calls us, guides us, sustains us
and invites us to lead. Praise be to God. Amen.**

† THE HYMN OF ADORATION | Hymn 73: all stanzas | O Worship the King

† THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | Apostles' Creed

Mr. Nathan Schreer

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ
His only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from
the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection
of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

† THE GLORIA PATRI | Hymn 70

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was
in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

† THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. House

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM | 8:30AM

Dr. Bill Burch

Carter Amory

**With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ,
that [name], surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith,
and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.**

THE BAPTISM RESPONSE | Hymn 611: stanza 1 | Child of Blessing, Child of Promise | 8:30AM

**Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign.
With this water God has sealed you, unto love and grace divine.**

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT | 11:15AM

Mrs. Nancy Jeanne Chadwick

We invite all children to come to the chancel steps for a special message.

THE MINISTRY MOMENT | Stewardship

Mr. Glenn Warren Sr.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. House

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

THE HYMN OF PREPARATION | We Are An Offering



The musical notation consists of four staves of music in treble clef, with lyrics written below each staff. The melody is simple and hymn-like, using eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are: 'We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are Yours, we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to You, we give to You. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an offering, we are an offering.'

THE SCRIPTURE | 2 Corinthians 9:6–8 | Pew Bible, pg. 1652

Dr. Burch

Pastor: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SERMON | "Cornerstone: Leaders Give"

Dr. Burch

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE | I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

*Following the sermon, the Sanctuary Bells will offer a musical meditation;
please join in singing the text as directed toward the end of this piece.*

**I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus; No turning back; no turning back.**

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THE OFFERTORY | Almighty God, We Come to You | *arr. Richard A. Nichols*

Chancel Choir

Almighty God, we come to You to seek Your Living Word anew,
praising Your grace that You have giv'n, this Book to be our guide to heav'n.
Let the anointing Spirit come to touch the lips that preach Your name.

With open hearts we now draw near and gladly bow, Your voice to hear.
Lord, speak to us as we embrace Your sanctifying Word by grace.

O Lord, all wise, our teacher be. Open our eyes that we may see
the truth that comes from heaven's throne.

O Holy Lord, Your presence give and grant that we may hear and live.
Let Christ alone exalted be, and in Your Word, Lord, speak to me.
Let the anointing Spirit come to touch the lips that preach Your name. Amen.

—Eric J. Alexander

† THE DOXOLOGY | Hymn 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

† THE BENEDICTION

8:30AM | Rev. House
11:15AM | Dr. Burch

† THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE | Hymn 368: refrain | My Hope Is Built

**On Christ the solid rock I stand,
all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.**

THE POSTLUDE | Festival Toccata | *Percy E. Fletcher*

Mr. Joshua McClure

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God:

In loving memory of our Mimi, Junie Waters Parker, from her family.

CLERGY

Dr. Bill Burch, *Senior Pastor* • Rev. Catherine Boothe Olson, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Angela House, *Associate Pastor*

AFFILIATED CLERGY

Dr. G. Gil Watson, *Pastor Emeritus* • Dr. Ann Brightwell McCord, *Retired*
Rev. Nancy Yarnell, *Retired*

TRADITIONAL MUSIC MINISTRY

Joshua McClure, *Director of Worship & Organist* • Nathan Schreer, *Director of Music*